

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for routing a communication to a user, said method comprising the step of:
  - receiving a communication destined for said user; and
  - routing said communication to said user based on a predicted presence of said user at a plurality of communication devices, wherein said predicted presence is based on a presence pattern indicating a probability of said user to be present on said plurality of communication devices at a given time, wherein said communication is substantially simultaneously routed to a plurality of said one or more communication devices during a transitional time between at least two presence patterns.
2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said predicted presence is recorded as a rule identifying one or more communication devices that should receive a communication during one or more time intervals.
3. (Cancelled).
4. (Cancelled).
- 20 5. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said presence pattern is detected by extracting presence information from one or more presence data stores.
6. (Original) The method of claim 5, wherein said presence information is obtained from a user registration process.
- 25 7. (Original) The method of claim 5, wherein said presence information is obtained by observing activities of said user.
- 30 8. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of observing a behavior of said user over time on said one or more communication devices.

9. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of analyzing said behavior on said one or more communication devices to detect a presence pattern.

5 10. (Currently Amended) A method for determining a presence pattern of a user at a plurality of communication devices, said method comprising the step of:

monitoring a presence of a user at said plurality of communication devices; and

detecting a pattern of behavior indicating a likelihood that a user is present at said plurality of communication devices for each of a plurality of during a particular time intervals, wherein

10 each of said time intervals indicates at least one communication device where said user is predicted to be present during said corresponding time interval.

11. (Original) The method of claim 10, further comprising the step of recording said pattern of behavior as a rule identifying one or more communication devices that should receive a communication during one or more time intervals.

12. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 10, wherein said pattern of behavior is detected by extracting presence information from one or more presence data stores.

20 13. (Currently Amended) A system for routing a communication to a user, said system comprising:

a memory; and

at least one processor, coupled to the memory, operative to:

receive a communication destined for said user; and

25 route said communication to said user based on a predicted presence of said user at a plurality of communication devices, wherein said predicted presence is based on a presence pattern indicating a probability of said user to be present on said plurality of communication devices at a given time, wherein said communication is substantially simultaneously routed to a plurality of said one or more communication devices during a transitional time between at least two presence patterns.

14. (Original) The system of claim 13, wherein said predicted presence is recorded as a rule identifying one or more communication devices that should receive a communication during one or more time intervals.

5 15. (Cancelled).

16. (Cancelled).

17. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 13, wherein said presence pattern is  
10 detected by extracting presence information from one or more presence data stores.

18. (Original) The system of claim 13, wherein said presence information is obtained from a user registration process.

15 19. (Original) The system of claim 13, wherein said presence information is obtained by observing activities of said user.

20 21. (Original) The system of claim 13, wherein said processor is further configured to observe a behavior of said user over time on said one or more communication devices.

25 22. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein said predicted presence is based on a current presence state of said user on each of said one or more communication devices.

30 23. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein said presence pattern is recorded as a plurality of time intervals each indicating at least one communication device where said user is predicted to be present during said corresponding time interval.

24. (New) The system of claim 13, wherein said predicted presence is based on a current presence state of said user on each of said one or more communication devices.
25. (New) The system of claim 13, wherein said presence pattern is recorded as a plurality of time intervals each indicating at least one communication device where said user is predicted to be present during said corresponding time interval.